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Well done to all involved

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This encompasses all of the feedback received from everyone and is approved.

I first want to congratulate the City of Toronto, the Toronto Police Service and their partners, including the Ontario Provincial Police, for their exemplary work in ensuring yesterday's demonstration in the City of Toronto was safe.

I understand the Ottawa Police Service continues to express concerns about their ability to manage the ongoing occupation in their city.

I want to stress that policing protests is a responsibility carried out by local police services across Ontario, who have the resources and authority to ensure their communities remain safe. Politicians at all levels cannot direct the police. To be clear: police services, including the Ottawa Police Service, have full discretion and extensive existing legislative authority under the Criminal Code to respond to and manage demonstrations and take enforcement action, as appropriate, against any individuals committing crimes in their jurisdiction.

As I indicated earlier this week, the Ontario government, including the Ontario Provincial Police, has provided significant operational resources to Ottawa. From the very beginning of this protest, more than 1500 officers from the Ontario Provincial Police, as well as officers from other municipal police services throughout the province and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police have been on the ground.

Officials from my ministry have been in contact with Ottawa officials throughout, and both the Premier and I have regularly reiterated the province's commitment to support them with any additional operational resources they may need.

I am grateful for the cooperation between Ontario's policing leadership during this time. We will continue to work with Chief Sloly, the Ottawa Police Service, as well as the City of Ottawa, to ensure they have every necessary resource they need to keep their community safe.

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